PATERSON'S BIG BLAZE.

about 100x250 feet. The ground floor was de-

offices and a big hall. Washington Hall was

would hold 3,500 persons. It was the scene of

brewers, for \$80,000 cash. It is now in ruins.

lived janitor William Smith and his family.

They were rescued, half dressed, and soon

BUIT AGAINST JOHN WANAMAKER.

A Former Employee Claims \$10,000 Dam-

ages for Breach of Contract.

statement in a suit against John Wanamaker.

Thomas B. Wanamaker, and Robert C. Ogden,

copartners, trading as John Wanamaker was filed to-day in the office of the Common Pleas

Court. Mr. Graham says that prior to February.

1882, he was employed as superintendent in

charge of the ladies' suit clonk, and dress-

making department of a large retail house, and

at about that time John Wanamaker wanted

him to take charge of the same kind of a de-

partment, as well as the sale-rooms and

watercoms of his store. On March 13, 1882,

a contract was signed by John Wanamaker

and himself (Hugh Graham) by which it was

agreed that Mr. Graham should take sole charge as buyer and head of department from

Aug. 1, 18-2. Mr. Graham was to receive \$6,000

per annum, payable monthly. The contract

Wansmaker, he went to Europe to Investigate the matters pertaining to the Herlin Inctory theorem by John Wansmaker, and to use his best discretion in shutting it down, as it had been a losing oreration; that he did take charge of the affairs in Berlin at great personal inconvenience to himself, and did close up the Berlin factory, thus saving the defendants a large sum of money. On the same rip he bought a very large amount of goods for the firm, which were afterward sold at large profit by defendants.

by defendants.
Mr. Graham claims \$2,000, "unlawfully de-tained by the defendants for services rendered

tained by the defendants for services rendered for the year commencing Aug. 1, 188, and ending July 31, 1888, with interest"; also, \$2,000 "unlawfully detained for services rendered for the year commencing Aug. 1, 1888 and ending July 31, 1889"; also, \$6,000, with interest, for breach of contract for the year commencing Aug. 1, 1889, and ending July 31, 1890; and the plaintiff further seeks to recover for breach of said contract by the said defendants, by way of damages therefor, the sum of \$10,000.

THREATENED WITH FIGLENCE,

A Postmuster in Georgia Prevented from

Washington, Feb. 8. Edward L. Duck-

worth, recently appointed Postmaster at

Sharon, Taliaferro county, Ga., has repre-

lost their outer wrans.

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LATEST NEWS FROM EUROPE.

VIEWS OF THE NATIONS ON EMPER-

OR WILLIAM'S SENSATION.

Mis Dream of an International Labor Con-

all-The Plot to Kill Fordinand,

empyright, 1980, by The Sun Printing and Publishin

many there has been no enthusiasm, despite

Theworking classes are skeptical as to the prac-

tical advantages to be gained by international

conferences, and would prefer to see the Emper-

or put his beautiful theories into practice by

allowing their trades unions to fight matters

out with the employers in free British and

only tell his bureaucrats and policemen to cease their vexatious and often tyrannical

interference in industrial disputes, questions

which have worried so-called state-men for

generations would, it is urged, soon be settled.

German politicians generally are uncharitably

snough disposed to think the grand rescripts

are simply electioneering dodges concected in

view of the new Reichstag elections on the 20th

inst. by Prince Bismarck and his young mas-

ter, forgetful that the same strategy was tried

in 1881 and failed, as it will probably fail now,

or altogether disrespectful. Here in England

the newspapers have managed to drag in the

g. aution of free trade, as is their custom in

moss things, and the Kaiser is warned that

unless Germany be prepared to abandon her

present protectionist policy his international

labor plans must fail. The more fact that the

United States has not even been invited to join

In Austria the critics are politely skeptical.

In Russia the imperial reformer's scheme is

openly and loudly ridiculed, and in France, as

might have been expected, there is an almost

us interfere in the settlement of German work-

many on any matter ! You had better first be-

you have trampled under foot, and then, per-

It is extremely doubtful whether the confer

ence will ever meet. Austria and Italy might

send delegates in order to please their power-

ful ally, but, enriously anough, they have not

been asked. Switzerland has already convened

a labor conference to meet on May 5, and the

President of the Confederation informed your

Berne correspondent yesterday that if the Fed-

eral Council takes his advice they will not

withdraw their invitations. President Carnot

dare not accept the Kaiser's invitation

in the present state of popular opin-

are already pampered to a dangerous degree

and has a large and hearty contempt for im-

are that the conference will be stillborn.

guese officers in Africa have carried out the

gant extracts from the local newspapers upon

which alone serious complaint might be based.

after the fashion of red Indians. We advise

towed down the river; that barrels of dynam-

ite be cast in with them. Then, at the sound

of the first gun discharged by England, let the

Another patriotic and really influential

commercial newspaper gravely aunounces;

"Our jeuness dorée have resolved to have

done with dress in the English mode. For the

future we shall use native fabrics alone. In

winter our society young men will wear gar-

ments of undyed freize lined with blue woollen

cloth. For evening dress nothing shall be in

The other day, if the Times correspondent

can be trusted, the chivairy of Oporto stoned a

British subject, aged not quite one year, as he

was being taken for an airing in his perambu-

lator. That baby may figure in history, for the

story of his wrongs has deeply moved British

matrons all over the country. Women here do not care much for politics or foreign affairs. A

Shire Highlands or even of the Zambesi, and

good many of them have never heard of the

Portugal is generally associated with port and

sherry and other good things; but an assault

upon a baby, the stoning of an infant, fills ma-

ternal bosoms with francis and tearful indig-

nation, which, turned upon inoffensive male

creatures who vote and by inference control

those who make the laws and look after Brit-

ish interests abroad, may have important in-

ternational consequences.

fashion but snuff-colored homespun."

"Let us." says one of these bloodthirsty

in the labor conference is to British critics suf-

fleient to damn it beforehand.

The remarks of foreign critics are either cool

NEW YORK, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1890.-TWENTY-FOUR PAGES. will be the reference to the increasing prosper-

ity of the country, for which the Tories are taking full credit. The improved trade will give Mr. Goschen a fat surplus, but etiquette will in the Queen's speech.

Labouchers addressed his constituents at ference Likely to Come to Naught-The Parsell Commission About to Re-port-Parsell Not in Good Health-Dis-Northampton last night and promised them driving about in a Hungarian four-in-hand that he would take care that the action of the trensing Accident on the Irish Coast-Ex-King Milan's Wild Carousal-Pestiv-ities in Vienna Atter the Long Moura. Government in connection with the Parnell Commission and of Secretary Matthews in regard to the Cleveland street scandals should ing-Miss Huntington's Row with Her be thoroughly discussed in Parliament. La-Manager-Jem Mace's Bout with Mitchbouchers was in great and combative spirits. and talked cheerfully of having Walters of the Times dragged to the bar of the House and afterward imprisoned in the clock tower.

LONDON, Feb. 8 .- The young Kaiser, has It seems certain that the British Governonce more given Europe something to talk ment intend introducing legislation this sesabout. His rescripts on the international sion dealing with Ireland, and it is reported on labor question has kept tongues wagging in good authority that £20,000,000 will be devoted all languages for days past, and the opinions to the development of the Ashbourne acts, and expressed are as diverse as the nationalities. that the Irish drainage bills will be reintro-If the imperial Socialist expected all the duced. It is not yet certain whether any local world to go into raptures over his proposals he self-government bill for Ireland will be introhas been wofully mistaken. Even in Gerduced, but it is by no means unlikely,

l'arliament will be formally opened on Tuesthe semi-official assertions to the contrary. day without the presence of royalty. Mr. Gladstone arrived in town to-day in order to be present. All the members of the Government are at hand, as well as all Mr. Gladstone's lending supporters. Joe Chamberlain hurried home from Paris with his wife to-day. The only really notable absentees will be Lord Hartashion. If the Kaiser would ington and Lord Randolph Churchill.

> The English newspapers publish the rumor. by the way, that Mrs. Chamberlain will write a book of travels in Egypt.

The Parnell Commission report, according to the present arrangements, will be distributed to members of the Lords and Commons on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The secret of its contents is being well kept and it is said that only two printed copies are at present under perusal, one being in possession of the Queen and the other being in the hands of Lord Salisbury. The eminent English lawyer. Lockwood, told me to-day that he did not believe there would be any very definite expression of opinion in the report. In his mind he felt certain that it would be little more than a careful digest of the evidence and an elaborate summing up, leaving the public to draw its conclusions and formulate its own verdict.

It is a matter of some concern in the Irish party that Mr. Parnell is not so robust as he was a few years ago, and some doubts are entertained whether he can much tonger stand the strain of continuous parliamentary work. The fight for Ireland would not be allowed to cease for one moment from this cause, and in either John Dillon or Sexton. Irishmen have a leader in whom they would place confidence.

universal howl of derision. "We will not." says La Lanterne. scholing in this matter the Tory prints are endeavoring to hide their opinion of nine Frenchmen out of ten, "pause chagrin at the defeat of the Times by Mr. Parto point out the impertinence of the presumption put forth by the German Emperor to make nell by claiming that they have the moral victory, and they attempt to prove this by showing that while Mr. Parnell claimed £100,000 ingmen's interests, and above all, of himself damages he has only secured £5,000. Mr. Parinterfering in the interest of French workingnell, however, never expected to receive a men. The idea of France negotiating with Gerlarger sum. It would be next to impossible to get a London jury without some Tories in it. gin by restoring to us Alsace and Lorraine, and they would never have agreed to the Times which you have extorted, and the milliards being mulcted in any considerable amount. Therefore, considering the vagaries of English you have filched. Bow down before the rights juries where political feeling comes into play, haps. we may condescend to consider the Mr. Parnell was well advised when he consented to settle. It is rarely that a verdict for damages in Ingland exceeds £5,000.

William O'Brien, although still in delicate health, addressed an enormous meeting of English Liberals at Manchester last night, and on Wednesday he will deliver a public address in London. After that his friends hope to persuade him to take a short rest, but it is probable he will insist first upon delivering one big speech in Parliament.

The Tories have been so carefully discounting the loss of Partick that the Liberals are beginning to believe in the possibility of win-The Czar thinks the working classes ning it. Craigsellar, one of the managers of the Liberal-Unionist party, won Partick in 1886 by a thumping majority, and now that he is perial or any other kind of socialism. England epted the Swiss invitation, but in such a dead the Tories and Unionists are proclaiming that if they succeed in retaining the scat it half-hearted manner, and with such important reservations that the Government is to be queswill be a glorious victory. One may reasonably assume, therefore, that the Liberals will tioned and denounced in Parliament. Any delegates Salisbury might send to Berlin would | at least pull down the hostile majority almost doubtless be similarly handicapped, and might to the vanishing point

as well remain in England, Little Belgium Sir Thomas Brady, the Irish Fisheries Commay consent to send to Berlin, but a confermissioner, who administered the fund raised ence reduced to such microscropic proportions by THE SUN four years ago for the relief of destitute fishermen along the Irish seaboard. would scarcely accord with the Kaiser's love of display. The present indications, therefore, informs me of a sad tragedy on the north coast mong the beneficiaries of THE SUN's fund. The pegotiations between England and Fishing is at all times a hazardous pursuit on Portugal have been making time this week. the eastern and northern coasts of Ireland, for storms arise so suddenly that the boats never Lord Salisbury has not yet received what he dare venture far from shore; but during the considers satisfactory proof that the Portugreat Atlantic storm last month it was courting death to venture out at all. However, nine evacuation of territory as their Government fishermen of Rosykill, in Donegal, pushed by promised, and he declines to consider the genthe necessity to earn bread, ventured off the eral territorial question. Meanwhile, the Britcoast into the mouth of Lough Swilly during a ish Government have been considering whether luil in the storm of the lith of last month. a remonstrance should not be addressed to Sudd-nly, without a moment's warning, the fortugal upon the continued boycotting and ill treatment of Englishmen. The Consul at fury of the storm was renewed, the boat was Oporto has sent to the Foreign Office some eleda-hed to pieces at the foot of a cliff on Fanad Point, and all her occupants were lost. By this accident fifty-four women and helpless old men and children have been left unprovided journals. "be heroes in the fight, but heroes for. Five of the fishermen were married, and leave five widows and thirty orphans, and four were single men, who left three fathers, three that the English in Oporto be bound hand and foot and thrown into lighters; that they be mothers, and thirteen small sisters and

> In the studio of Albert Bruce Joy, one of the foremost of English sculptors, I saw yesterday an unfinished marble of colossal size that is destined to ornament the Lowell Cemetery and mark the grave of the late Dr. J. C. Ayer. The idea of making an American tombstone of the British lion is that of young Ayer, who ordered the monument when in Europe a year ago. The lion weighs five tons, and the pedes tal upon which it is to rest is four feet high and weighs seven tons. According to young Aver's wishes Mr. Joy has represented the lion with his head bowed upon folded paws and a look of melancholy pathos upon his face, which is turned upon the ground below.

brothers.

Another work Mr. Joy has just completed is an her to bust of Sir Thomas Erskine May, for many years Clerk of the House of Commons, which is to be presented to that body. with much ceremony after Parliament meets next week. Mr. Joy's favorite bust is one of Mary Anderson, which Dr. Griffin ordered as a present for Miss Anderson. It has been completed for several months, but Joy is loath to le it leave his studio. Joy is the sculptor of the colossal figure of Gladstone in the Mile End road, of the bust of Lord Sallsbury in the Mansion House, of the heroid figure of John Bright at St. Stephen's, and of many other masterpieces, so that America is to be congratulated upon the acquisition of an important work of

art oven if it is to go to a Lowell cemetery. The Queen's speech was prepared by the Cabinet on Wednesday, and Goschen took it Dr Thomas Door Crosby caught a tartar to Osborne last evening for her Majesty to when he brought about the arrest of Jerome read. Ministerial secrets have been unusually Hopkins for libel in sending him abusive poetry well kept this year, and the new-papers have on postal cards, because Crosby refused to pay not yet ventured upon a forecast of the speech his subscription to one of Hopkins's concerts. Hopkins was tried at the Old Pailey before a There is reason to believe however, that it jury yesterday, and though he was found guilty will be longer than the average, and that the chief measures referred to will be the Irish and compelled to enter into his own recogni-Land Purchase bill, a bill transferring payances in £100, and to find one surety in £50 to ment of clerical tithes from farmers to landkeep the peace, he had fun snough with owners, and a bill which, while practically es-Crosby to compensate all his troubles. tablishing a system of free education, will be Hopkins addressed the jury for two so skilfully drawn in the interests of hours, keeping them, the Judge, spectators. Tory parsons that the denominational and even Dr. Crosby's counsel in a continuous will receive large additional rear of laughter, while the Doctor himself writhed in his chair, and doubtless wished sums from the State without being subfrom the bottom of his heart that he had paid jected to the control of popularly elected bodies. The last-named measure will receive the guinen when his tormentor asked him for it. It was such a scene as the Old Bailey never the determined opposition of the Liberals and of many liberal Unionists also, if, as is not witnessed before, and when the case was concluded a throng of bewigged English barrisprobable, any one of them has a spark of publie spirit left. The strong point in the speech tors crowded about the American musician.

offered their congratulations, and advised him | MURDERED BY A BURGLAR. to give up music and devote himself to the bar. The German Emperor has had a phenomenally busy week, and is so exhausted by not allow any reference to the interesting fact | his unusual mental efforts that he is going into the country to rest. He has found time, however, to dazzle the eyes of Berlin folks

> man behind. The Austrian court has gone out of mourn ing for the late Prince Rudolph, and the Em peror has given permission for full resumption of social festivities.

with a most gorgeously clad Magyar coach-

King Milan has been on a wild carouse at Monte Carlo. He has lost 500,000 francs at the gaming tables, and has been mean enough, according to current report, to send his friend Count Milewaki to Belgrade, to the horror of Queen Nathalie, his divorced and greatly wronged wife, to obtain her influence with the Government in order to get a large sum from the Servian treasury.

The existence of a plot to dethrone Prince Ferdinand, and if necessary to cut his throat, has been fully proved. Some of the most trusted civil and military officers are implicated, and the country is in a state of semi-panic. The plot is of Russian manufacture beyond a doubt, and the prime mover has been the Czar's Minister at Bucharest. Ferdinand is safe for the present, but the affair has unset the promising matrimonial negotiations which

were proceeding in the young man's behalf. The Duke of Montpensier, who died suddenly this week, was worth about \$60,000,000. some of which, had he lived, would have found its way to Brazil, the Duke being bent upon upsetting the republic. He was always plotting or intriguing, and failed in every big

thing he attempted. Agnes Huntington's withdrawal from the cast at the Prince of Wales's theatre promises to afford a legal test of interest to all musicians. Miss Buntington's defence in Harris's suit is that she was justified in breaking her contract by reason of the strain upon her voice in singing music written for a tenor. Harris asserts that the music was rewritten to suit Miss Huntington's contracto, but the press critics and musiclans consider the claim ridiculous, as the rewriting consisted only in lowering the music by one octave. That this was the only alteration made Miss Huntington can prove by the score, of which she has kept copies. As Harris's suit is all that stands between Miss Huntington and an American tour it is quite probable that she will soon appear in "Paul Jones" in New York, as negotiations are already under way for the production of her great London success in her native country. Miss Huntington's friends are much incensed at Harris's conduct in the matter, and she has brought suit for libel against him by reason of his advertising that she had broken faith with the management of the Prince of Wales Theatre. Many other annoying publications have been made in provincial and foreign newspapers which can be traced only to Harris his object being apparently to injure her prospects with other managers as much as possible since her withdrawal, deprives the Carl Rosa company, of which he is the head, of its best attraction. It was only Miss Huntington's personality that made the phenomenal fun of "Paul Jones" possible; and the value placed upon her services is indicated by the fact that under the contract she has just broken she received \$400 per week, which was

to be increased next year to \$600. Little Abraham Lincoln is slowly recovering his health, but it was only this week that the physicians considered him out of danger. He has had one or two relapses since he was brought back from France, but is stronger now than at any time before since his illness Mrs. Kate Mary MacDonough, sister of Mr. O'Brien, the late California millionaire, who has lived in London for the last ten or fifteen years, and has been prominent socially, died this week at her residence in Mayfair.

John Douglas Delille, the United States Consul at Bristol, and author of the novel "Canon Lucifer," produced a melodrama at Coichester this week called "In the Queen's Name." which the provincial critics praise highly.

The middle-weight boxing championship cas conclusively settled last night, when Tof Wall in a ten-round contest with Chesterfield Goods showed himself much the cleverer.

The match came off at the new Pe Ican Club Goode came forward afterward, and shaking hands with Wall, admitted he was the better man. The match between Mace and Mitchell at Glasgow was rather tame, and though the former made as good a stand as could be expected from an old man, he was nothing in the

hands of Mitchell. The Duke of Orleans, who went to Paris in contravention of the law exiling him and de-manded to be allowed to enter the army, has been disagreeably surprised by the decision of the French Government to prosecute him like an ordinary law breaker. It has been given out that the ill-starred expedition was nothing more than a boyish freak, undertaken suddenly and without apprising his parents; but there is reason to believe that the thing was deliberately arranged in order to revive the drooping interest in the Oriennist cause. It was supposed the French Government would simply have conducted the young man to the frontier, in which case glory would have been cheaply earned, but he has rendered himself liable to imprisonment not exceeding a term of two years, and the Government is determined to press for punishment. There is great wailing

this evening in the Orleanist camp. Barnum proudly announced to-night that the great moral show had been visited since its arrival in Lendon by 1,500,000 people.

THE HERRESHOFF DIVORCE CASE.

Judge Matteson Dismisses the Petition on Grounds of Collusion. PROVIDENCE, Feb. 8.—The decision of

Judge Matteson of the Supreme Court in the divorce suit of Sarah L. Herreshoff and John R. Herreshoff, one of the fa mous blind boat builders of Bristol is in itself an interesting document. The petition alleges acts of cruelty.

The Court says:
"This is a petition for divorce on the charge of cruelty. The petitioner admits that the petition was filed in pursuance of an agreement with the respondent, the time and charge being especially agreed to to satisfy him her own purpose having been to sue for a livorce at a later time and on a different charge. She testilled that the agreement was ontered into in tall ornia, whither she had been chilgen to testified that the agreement was entered into in talifornia, whither she had been obliged to go to defend hersel against a petition for divorce there preferred against her by the respondent; that she as enter to it after receated importunities in his behalf, argued upon her in such circumstances and with such persistency that in her state of mental and bodily weakness she was a able to recent them. We think the petition is to be recalled rather as respondents petition is to be recalled rather as respondents petition than the nominal potitioner's; that it should be dismissed, if not as rea iy collusive in yiew of the petitioner's explaintion, yet as being against public policy. The petitioner should be free to make the respondent should be free to defend it nequiesce. A trangements under which the parties are so committed cannot fail to be insidicted to the due administration of the law. The petition will be dismissed.

In other words, the court refuses to be a tool of convenience for those who seek divorces and have no legal grounds for an action.

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TRAGEDY IN A FARM HOUSE IN WESTPORT, ESSEX COUNTY.

An Aged Parmer While Stiting With His Wife by the Litchen Stove Startled by a Man Who Demanded His Money-knocked Senseless and Shot, and His Wife Heaten to Death-St,000 in His Desk which the Murderer Failed to Find.

WHITEHALL, Feb. 8 .- Ransom Floyd, an aged and well-known Essex county farmer. lies at death's door, and his wife is dead, both victims of an unknown burglar. Floyd is 72 years old. his wife was 58. For years they had lived alone on their little farm on the old Tele-graph road between Westport and Whallons-burgh. Last Friday Mr. Floyd completed the sale of a piece of property, which he had been negotiating with Boston people for several months. The aged people had decided to sell to supply them with sufficient income to keep them the rest of their lives. On Friday \$3,000 was paid to Mr. Floyd, \$2,500 was in checks and \$500 in cash. It was too late for Mr. Floyd to take the money to Westport, so he locked it up in his dosk. Neither he nor his old wife once dreamed that there was danger in such a course. A burglar had never been heard of in that quiet neighborhood. When Mr. Floyd had finished up the chores about the farm he and his wife sat down to spend the evening quietly, as was their wont. Mr. Floyd was reading his newspaper. His wife was sitting near. Suddenly they were startled by hearing a strange voice say:

"I want the money you have in the house er I want your life!" Mr. Floyd jumped from his chair and faced the man who had uttered these startling words. He was a thick-set man, wearing dark clothes and a heavy shawl tied about his shoulders and head. His eyes were covered

by a black felt hat drawn tightly down. You can't have my money," said the old man, excitedly. "I have worked too hard for what little I have. I can't give it up."

Mr. Floyd's words were stopped by a bullet which struck him in the neck, and another which passed through his left wrist. He fell

unconscious to the floor. It was about 7 o'clock when the robber entered the house, and it was 8:30 when Mr. Floyd regained consciousness. He was weak from loss of blood, and was in poor condition to stand the sight that met his gaze, In a pool of blood that extended several feet in either direction lay Mrs. Floyd. She was dead. Two bullets had been fired into her head, the top of her head was crushed in and her face was pounded to a jelly. Mr. Floyd took in the sickening scene at a glance and then crawled to the door and made his way slowly to the house of Alex Soswell, fully forty rods away. In feeble tones he told them of the tragedy and Mr. Soswell hastened at once to the scene. Mr. Floyd was made as comfortable as possible at the Soswell house while messengers were despatched to West-

port for a physician. The report circulated slowly through the spar-cly settled neighborhood, but in the course of two hours a number of indignant and horrifled citizens had gathered in the little house. The walls of the room in which the tragedy was enacted were spattered with blood, the floor flowed with it, and the marks of the hands of the assassin were left upon everything he touched. The key to the desk where the money was placed was covered with blood, and many of the papers in the drawer, which the thief had handled, were bloodstained. The thie! did not succeed in his object, however. The money was untouched. Either he could not find it on account of agitation, or he was frightened away before he had completed his search.

Dr. Pattison of Westport responded to the all sent for him. He said at once that there was no chance for the old man's recovery. But after he had given him stimulating medicine the old man told the story of the tragety and described his assailant. Sheriff O. A. Phinney lives in Elizabethtown, seven miles from the Floyd house. John Brown of Westport started out to notify him. He was compelled to travel through a blinding snow storm, and consequently, heriff Phinney and his deputy did not arrive ustil 3 o'clock resterday morning. It had not occurred to the innocent farmers to organize a searching sarty, and so the thief had the benefit of several hours before any effort was made to trace him. Sheriff Phinney made a thorough examination of the premises and surroundings, but they revealed no clue. The builets showed that the thief had used a thirty-two calibre revolver, and the position of some of the builets showed that the had used his left hand. Further than this, the vigitant officer could find nothing that threw any light the contract in the prevalent of the servers and surface of proper surface, such as interfering with his sele control of the separation of the premises and surface, such as interfering with his sele control of the separation of the premises and surface, such as interfering with his sele control of the separation of the premise and understanding the contract mother instances, such as interfering with his sele control of the separation of the premise and saye that during the sommer of 1888, at the personal request to turn the remaining to the Berlin factory the many light to the was a time to be the matters pertaining to the Berlin factory the matters pertaining to the Berlin factory the was to run three search that in the same trape party of the was to run three matters be remained by three months nother in advance to the server and the party; otherwise to be in force another than the party of the was to run three months nother mathem that in the prevent in the militance with the contract of the server and the curlet the contract of the server and the party; otherwise to his abo was no chance for the old man's recovery. But officer could find nothing that threw any light

upon the tragedy. Coroner Severance lives in Mineville, ten miles from the Floyd house. He was notified and appeared on the scene yesterday afternoon. He impanelled a jury, who viewed the remains of Mrs. Floyd, took Mr. Floyd's statement, and adjourned until Wednesday next. Mr. Floyd is certain that he locked the house secure y for the night. In all probability the thief entered the house early in the evening Westport lies under the shadow of the Adirondack Mountains, and the murderer would have had little difficulty in escaping to the mountains and picking out a secure hiding place, as here was absolutely no organized effort to find This is no doubt the course he pursued. and he is at present safe from pursuit. Sheriff Phinney has, however, offered a reward of \$1,000, and this may stir up the inhabitants to organize a searching party.

PLATTSBURGE, Feb. S.—Further details of the burglary and murder near Westport, as told by a prominent resident of that place, who arrived here to-night from the scene of the trag-

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ented to the Post Office Department that he s prevented by threats of personal violence and hostile demonstrations from taking pos-session of his office. Several letters from edy, are as follows: Ransom Floyd, a respected and wealthy buckworth and others, corroborative of farmer, aged 73 years who resided with his statements, have lately been received at the wife, aged 66, two miles north of Westport, department. Duckworth, who is understood had prepared to retire at about 8:30 last evento be an independent Republian, was appointed Postmaster to succeed a Democrat. ing. Mrs. Floyd sat reading the family Bible with her husband at the side of the kitchen who, with his friends, it is represented have stove. Mr. Floyd was suddenly startled by the since used every means to prevent buckworth furious barking of the watchdog, which was from taking charge of his office. Threas of chained at the barn. Before he had time to per-onal violence, and even death, it is alleged see what the trouble was or to guard himself were publicly made, and every kind of public he saw a man with a bandanna handkerchief were punicy made, and every kind of public indignity was repeatedly heared upon him. On one occasion a collin labelled, "kalicals Must life," was placed on the porch of his house. A mob of an agry men was almost constantly in front of his door making threatening demenstral ins. On another occasion a number of men, representing the unruly element, entered his house and by threats domicalled him to sign a letter of resignation. As soon as they were gone Duckworth telegraphs, the denature in that it was obtained while under dure, and asked fastened over the lower part of his face enter the kitchen door. The burglar demanded all the the kitchen door. The burglar demanded all the money that was in the house, and threatened to shoot the aged couple unless the demand was complied with. Mr. Floyd refused to give up his moley and was strick with a club on the back of the head. The burglar also fred wo shots at him. He became monops ous from the else ts of the blow, and remembers no more of what observed. On regaining consciousness, he reand his wife bring dead on the floor in a pool of blood. There were several gasteson her head, and the had been shot once in the blody. The Bibbs from which she had been reading was still classed in her hands, it was evident that she had not had time to protest herself or 90 fee from the mur-Dickworth telegraphed the densithment that it was obtained while under dure, and asked that it be disregarded. On Feb. 3, The about wrote that the missest energl that be smile hold out no longer, fearing that he would be killed, and asked that his resignation be timediately accented. After consultation with the President and First Assistant Toutmaster, General Clarkson, Mr. Wannaker list night telegraphed Duckworth as 1010ws: Whatever power this department has well be used to protect you and nut you in possession of the other twinted you have been supplied. Communicate specially telegraph full face it interfered with further, and immediate action with telegraph. Immediate action with certains.

He also ordered two Post Office inspectors to Sharon to Investigate the whole matter to torney-General Millor also ordered a finite littles marshal to the scene of the trained Duckworth was recommended for the edited party a large number of reputable officens, including one or more of national influence, as an honest and capable man. had received the money esterday morning, and it is thought the burghar and murderer knew or this and exceeded to obtain a large amount of money. There is not the slightest clus to the mirrorer. They may recover, although his wounds are considered very dangerous on account of his advanced age.

Royal Haking Powder, Absolutely Pure. A Parmer Makes an Assignment. READING, Pa., Feb. 8.-Amos Madeira, a well-F, & W. "The Oteco Collar," E, & W.

signed property consists of a fine farm and residence and a tobacco factory. The assets are from \$20 to to \$2.5,000. The liabilities are mut yet assertained. The \$2.5,000. The liabilities are mut yet assertained. The cause of the failure is said to be unprediable farming.

FRENCH CANADIANS.

Washington Hall Burns Down Amid Tor-They Look Longingly Toward the Day When Canada will Cut Loose from England. A person could see to read a newspaper in MONTREAL, Feb. 8 .- At the close of a lec twee here last night before the Club National any part of Paterson from 2 until 6 o'clock yesterday morning. The biggest building in town by Mr. Ulric Barthe, editor-in-chief of L'Electeur, R. Lomeux offered the following was a mass of flames. The Washington Mar-

ket building was erected about twenty years resolution: "Whereas. The Chamber of Deputies at ago by an incorporated company. It was Ottawa has adopted an address to her Majesty signed for a market, and the second story for the Queen avowing, among other things, that it is the desire of the Canadian people to per-petuate the political bond which at present exone of the largest halls in the country. It ists between this country and the mother country: beit

all the big political meetings, fairs and balls "Resolved, That it is the opinion of the Club National that the said address to her In Paterson. The lower part of the building had ceased to be used as a market, and had been cut up into stores and rooms for small Majesty the Queen was inopportune under the manufacturers. A few weeks ago the original circumstances, and will have no other result owners sold the building to Katz Brothers. than to allenate from us American sympathies at a moment when public opinion calls loudly The Acquackanonk Tribe of Red Men were and energetically for the establishment of holding a ball there on Friday night. Along closer commercial relations between the United about 2 o'clock in the morning a small flame States and Canada; that while we profess was seen licking the floor under the musicians' sincere admiration for the English constitustand. It grew rapidly, and soon the dancers tional government, we, the members of the were rushing down stairs in a panicky state of club desire, with all our hearts, the estabmind. All got out safe, but some of the wolishment of an independent nationality in the men fainted and had to be carried, while many vast dominion of British North America, free from all European attachments. In an upper part of the rear of the building

The resolution, which was adopted amid cheers, caused blg excitement among English residents at Montreal.

A FAMOUS HOTEL FAILS. The Planters' House of St. Louis Closed by the Sheriff.

Ilved janitor William Smith and his family. They were rescued, half dressed, and soon afterward their home was in flames. The fire extended to the little silk mills occupying the rooms back of the half and then swept to the front of the building, in which were the armory and parlors of the First Battalion and the rooms and library of the Board of Trade. The First Battalion parlors were filled with souvenirs and pictures, and mearly all the officers had their uniforms in the lockers. Pretty soon a housand cartidges began exploding lilling the air with bullets. Eventually a large Gatling gun sask through the floor. Then, down into the armory and Board of Trade rooms came the Mansari third story, which comprised St. John's Hall, the home of Ivashoe Ladge, and the meeting place of several other Masone todies.

The ground floor was occupied as follows:

R. C. Hill's confectionery, George Newell's provision market, Beewkes's jewelry store. Striat Brothers' steamfitting factory, Mr. Barket, Beewkes's jewelry store. Striat Brothers' steamfitting factory, Motograph gailery, Swinley's soda water factory, Motograph gailery, Swinley's soda water factory, Motograph gailery. Swinley's soda water factory. Mot Sr. Louis, Feb. 8.-The second big hotel failure in a week occurred to-day, and if the punic continues there will be no accommodations for World's Fair visitors in 1892. The Planters' liouse, the oldest and most famous hotel in the city, was closed this morning by the Sheriff. On Tuesday the Merchants' Hotel. another old landmark, was closed in the same way. Last night Joseph Gerardi, the lesses of the Planters' House, executed two deeds of trust on the furniture and fixtures of the hotel and restaurant to his wife and cousin. He was then behind some \$12,000 in rent, and this then behind some \$12,000 in rent and this morning the owners of the property secured an attachment, and the Sheriff did the rest.

The Planters House was built in 1836 and has about 300 rooms. It was lea-ed for \$30,000 a year, and the lease has one rear to run. The decline of Fourth street is put down as the cause of the failure. Until two years ago Fourth was the leading retail street of the city. Now the business is west and Fourth street is dead. The Planters House was lavorably mentioned in Dickens's "American Notes," and has housed many of the most distinguished men in America. was destroyed with its contents. The brick storehouse of A. W. Mills & Co., next door, was bally damaged.

How the fire started has not been ascertained. By 5 o'clock little was left of the big building except the front wall, and as that threatened to fall, it was pulled down yesterday by the firemen. Several firemen were hurt, but none dangerously. Barn tell in torrents during the fire, but it did not seem to check it. The main building, for which Katz Brothers pull \$50,000, was insured for \$50,000, and the furniture in the hall was insured for \$2,000.

HIS FATHER IN AN ASYLUM. Christian Becker's Brothers and Partners Seek to Get the Old Man Out,

Christopher Becker is in the Ward's Island Insane Asylum, and wants to get out. He is So years old and a manufacturer of scales and balances at New Rochelle, and was sent to the asylum on a commitment for insanity at the instance of his son, Christian Becker, Now PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 8.—Hugh Graham's James E. Surman of the firm of Becker's Sons. Rotterdam, Holland, appears and demands the liberation of Mr. Becker. He shows in his petitlen that the firm of fleckers Sons is composed of two other sons besides Christian, and that the firm has sent a nower of att rney to consul-tieneral John K. Planten, in this city, empowering him to take charge of the eider Becker's interests in New York. The other brothers sidege that Christian, by the incareeration of his father, is seeking to degrade them, Judge Patterson of the Supreme Court has issued a writ of laters corpus, and the case issued a writ of hances corpus, and the case will come up on its merits.

MRS. PEASIR FORGIVEN TWICE. She and her Husband Now Going to House.

keeping for the Third Time. Mrs. Peaser, the wife of Elias Peaser, a blacksmith of Creat Nack, has eloped with a former boarder named Scott twice within six months. The first elegement was in Septem ber. Peaser found the couple living together in Brooklyn under his name. He returned home and disposed of his household goods, and

rea ed. This time Mr. Feaser tound her in New York. She remained here until a lew days are, when Mr Teaser received another letter from her praying for his forgiveness and ask-ing to be taken home. Teaser once more opened his near and forgave her. They are making preparations to go housekeeping again.

OVER \$70,000 IN THE ARCH FUND. Mr. Bowen's Plan for Completing the Fund Before Wusbington's Birthday.

The Washington Arch Fund experienced a com yesterday. D. Appleton & Co., Stern Brothers, Henry K. Sheldon, Elbridge T. Gerry, and Clarence W. Bowen subscribed \$100 each; E. P. Dutton & Co., \$50; Charles M. Pry. John Knox, V. Mumford Moore, F. K. Wright, nitran P.St. Jun. Gardiner Sherman, Francis coucks, George S. Coe. Idward Earle, irvey Fr. & Sons, Charles Scribner's Sons, seedore it Star, and six "Cash" subscribers, o each. The fund is now \$70.156.41. In a letter accompanying his subscribing. However accompanying his subscribing in Lowen suggests "that thirty gentlemen be pointed whose duty it shall be to collect been worselved whose duty it shall be to collect been worselved whose duty it shall be to collect been worselved. that the remaining \$30,000 may be speedly col-lected."

WENT DOWN LIKE A SHOT. A Brigantine-rigged Steamship Engulfed

in Midocran. The steamship Brampton, which arrived Haltimore last week, reported that she passed, on Jan. 22. a brigantine-rigged steamship, which was engulied by a tremendous wave and went doen like a shot without loaving a vestige or horself affont. It is suspected here

ROCHESTER, Feb. 8 .- At the Chamber of Commerce banquet here this evening Trastus Wiman, replying to the toost, "A commerce ditions existing on both sides of the border were extremely favorable to an immediate common call partnership between to a sin and the United States, alording to the United States, alording to the United States, alording to the United States and other and a few surply of raw material on the one hand and to canada an outlet and needed development on the other. The United Part is a task the rest interest decision to be hid within eighten mention, with a sight encouragement from the United States, would make this aless question and it successes would share a present that wants have a commercial interestication as that which prevails between the states of the United ditions existing on both sides of the border

Six Persons Burned to Beath.

ICHMINGHAM, Alla, Feb. 8. A report reaction here to-day that the dwelling of a followed by fair weather; warmer Monday, northerly faction cained Both bear Stevenson, Ala., was burned right before last and that Mr. Both had lands consisting of a wife and four dillegate, i.e. she is the flames. The neighbour dillegate are the fee in the flames. The neighbour dillegate are the fee in the flames for the day in or large when they found the charged remains of the ing when the y tound the charred remains of the family in the askes.

Where Yesterday's Fires Were. A. M. -1 a. 344 Past Twelfth street, Gottlieb

A. 26-7 L. des John J. Worten Brind & F. & F. L. Barnings Scholle Fare S. H. Modrock's college Urial Callings Science Fare S. H. Modrock's college Urial Callings Science Fare For the Late Fourth street, Clares Neutres apart Invite Callings S. H. L. & J. Cherry Street, Ellen Dollowskis abstracts damage 31. 11 40, 350 Westinderfest, Mes, amin Carpetters apartments no damage.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

BIRDSHOT IN HIS HEART. WAS JACK MURPHY MURDERED BY HIS EMPLOYER?

Landlord Jules Rosseau of the Berkeloy
Arms Arrested-It He Did Not Kill Musphy, Who Did t-Not a Case of Suleto.

Tom's RIVER, Feb. 8 .- When Detective Hagaman put his band on Jules Rosseau's shoulder this morning and arrested him on the charge of murdering Jack Murphy, his employee, at the Herkeley Arms Hotel, on the beach, on Wednesday, Jan. 29, his prisoner, broke into a torrent of tears and earnestly pretested his innocence. His wife, hearing him weeping, joined him, and on learning of the arrest became hysterical. When they grew calm Hagaman took his prisoner on the train for this place. He locked him up in the county jail at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Mrs. Rosseau went by the first train to New York to procure counsel. She will return on Monday or Tuesday, when application for bail will be made. Rosseau formerly kept the Chelsen House, in Twanty-second street, between Fighth and Ninth avenues, and he has, it is said, wealthy friends in New York. He was visited in jail this afternoon, where, in answer to an inquiry whether he had any statement to make, he vehemently declared his innocence. He said Jack Murphy was crazy on the subject of religion and the detection of crime. He was a monomaniac. He quarrelled frequently with the life saving station men and others. When he rushed into the hotel on the morning of his death and got the gun. Rossean says he started after him to stop him, but he followed him only a short distance. A moment later he heard the report of the gun and supposed that he had shot some one else, not himself. The reason why he did not go to him at once was because he was in his dressing gown and light underclothing. He, however, called a man named Sprague in less than five minutes after he saw Murphy on the board walk leading

pained sprague in less than five minutes after he saw Murphy on the board walk leading from the hote!

Rosseau almost broke down twice while making the above statement. Prosecutor Middleton, who had been shadowing Rosseau for several days, ordered his arrest last night. He said he expected to convict Rosseau on the evidence now in his possession. The prosecutor has the undershirt, trousers, and dressing gown worn by Rousseau when the shooting was done, and they are said to be valuable links of evidence which a Pinkerton detective will help the prosecutor to complete. The clothing worn by Murphy, including the heavy leather fined mittens, with which experts say it was impossible for him to discharge a gun, are also in the nonsession of the prosecutor Murphy had the mittens on his hands when he was found. He hay eight feel from where blood was spatiered on the dining room doors, with twenty Ne, 4 birdshot in his heart, and 109 in his besty altorether. No one any longer entertains the theory of subject. Dr. E. C. Disser, we witheres to his statement made at the inducest that it was impossible for Murphy to shoot himself in the back directly through the heart without leaving some powder marks upon his cothing or body. No such marks were found. The people about Berkeley say that Rosseau and Murphy frequently quarrelled, and that Rosseau, when excited, would threaten the life of Murphy.

THE JURY SAYS "NOT GUILTE." Young Randall Acquitted of the Charge or Killing file Father.

GREENPIELD, Mass., Feb. 8 .- Notwithstanding the storm an audience, limited only by the capacity of the court room, was present to-day to listen to ex-Gov. Robinson's closing argument for Lincoln J. Randall, charged with having shot and killed his father. The argument took up point by point the main features ment took up point by point the main features of the prosecution, laying great stress upon the alibi, which the speaker claimed to have been proved in favor of the prisoner. He derided the alleged conte-sion said to have been given to Mrs. Anyers at the Fitchburg pail as an "old game," the allegation that the papers had been burned going to prove, in the counsel's estimation, that they had never existed except in the imagination of Mrs. Myers. He closed with an elegation the papers are proposed. The jury gave a verdict of acquittal to-night,

Using the Mulls to Swindle.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .- George W. Rich, alias W. H. Marshall, alias J. W. Barr, alias C. H. Reed. was arrested to-day charged with using the was about to begin suit for divorce when he received a letter from his wife imploring forgiveness, the took her back home and they went to hott-ekeeping again.

Two weeks after her return she again disapconfloyment h wever, they were to forward \$1.0 to now for the expressage of the blank circulars to their home. In this manner the young n an, whose real name is George W. Rich, and whose home is in Ohio, gathered in many dollars, postage stamps, and postal notes, lie has been at the trick for six weeks, and pleads that he was compelled to resort to the swindle to avoid starvation. There was \$50 in his mail this morning.

Mormons Defeated in Sait Lake City. SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 8.—The campaign of the Liberal party closed last night with a street parade and illumination of all the Gentile houses in the city. There are 7,827 voters, as shown by the registration just closed. Fortyshown by the registration just closed. Forty-nine hundred and five of these are pronounced Gentiles, and 2,822 Mormons. The Gentiles have a majority on the face of the returns of 1,981. The majority for city officials on Mon-day next will, on account of absenteeism, prob-ably the between 500 and 700. Judge Powers, the Chairman of the Liberal Committee, ex-presses no doubt of the result, and says the majority will not fail below 500 and may ex-ceed 1,900.

Just Missed a Bitzgard,

Yesterday's weather map showed a most remarkable similarity to the storm combination these existed during the great "bluxard" of March 12, '88, Three full-deduced storms and two areas of high pressure covered the country yesterday. Two of the most severe storms prevated in this region, one on the South Atlantic coast, central over Georgia, and the other central over the lower lakes, both moving easterly and with greatenergy with a prospect of their drawing together somewhere out over the ecean. The sonthern storm caused a general downpour of rain from southeast of the Alleghauy Mountains, while the storm in the lake region, northern New York, and from Michigan cook through Canada and New England. High winds generally blowing on shore and attended with dense fogs prevaled a laiong the Atlantic coast. Over the same region there was an abnormal high temperature, run-ning up to nearly 40° in New York city and the neighborhood. The third storm, which promises great energy was coming in by way of Montana, accempanied by rain show and high wints. Separating these storm centres were two distinct

areas of high pressure, accompanied by a decided cold wave, which caused a fall of from 30° to 40° in the Mis sissippi valler and a "norther" in Texas, where the temperature was below freezing. In Minnesota and Manitoha it was from 20° to 30° below zers The cold wave will reach this city this morning and

weather. It will be fair in the afternoon and night and Monday will be fair and cold, becoming warmer at

ter ay was to de lowest and the average humidity, se percent, wind brisk nor hwest, rainfall, eight-tenths of an inch. The thermometer at Percy's pharmacy in Tue Sun

building recorded the term erature resterday as follows: BA. M., 42°, U.A. M., 51°, U.A. M., 54°; 12 M., 54°; 8:80
P. M., 45°, U.P. M., 57°, U.P. M., 35°, 12 initializis, 20° Average 410, Average on 1 cb. ft, land, 2006.

For Manie rain or snew, followed by fair weather. For New Hampshire and Vermont, local rain or snow,

clearing weather, northwesterly winds; warmer Mon they morning.

The eastern New York, clearing weather, northerly

winds; normer Menticy morning.
For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, fair weather, northwestersy winds, becoming variable; warmer Mouday morning. For the Pastret of Columbia, Delaware, and Mary-

hank-face weather, northerny winds, becoming variable; warmer Monday morning For western New York thir weather, preceded by

local enoug westerly winter, warmer Monday morning. For western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Ohio,